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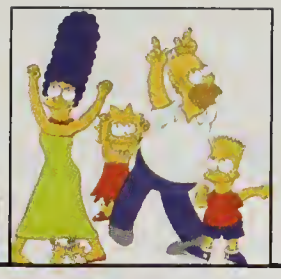

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Campus joins computer grid project

ISABEL RODRIGUEZ
News Editor

In efforts to increase computing powers for things such as research projects and efficiency, PUC will join the Northwest Indiana Computational grid project.

NWIC grid project is funded by U.S. Senator Richard Lugar and U.S. representative Pete Visclosky.

"Visclosky wanted to give some impotence, in terms of the U.S. role in developing what we call these high performance computing capabilities," said Douglas Sharp, assistant vice chancellor for information and instructional technologies. "Concept of the grid is a concept that in a world of computing is fairly new and is taking off."

Discussion held about the grid involved the partnership of Purdue Lafayette and Notre Dame.

The grid project refers to distributed computer resources which may not be located within the same city, state or country but are connected to high speed networks. The grid project will supply the ability to move information such as calculations and research at a faster rate.

One way to get a large amount of processing power in computers involves linking them all together rather than utilizing a single computer. Making use of several smaller computers and their processors, memory and storage capacity achieves the same level of computing power for a lower amount of money, according to Sharp.

"We can start to build a grid in place and in the process we would also begin to solve some issues existing in grid computing," said Sharp. "Grid computing is not one can take off the shelf and put in place and you're good to go."

"It's a continually evolving technology."

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Reynolds remembered

Campus community shares thoughts, memories after the death of PUC student and employee Jermaine Reynolds

Photo obtained online

Jermaine Reynolds, a sophomore studying information systems software engineering, will be missed by many in the PUC campus community.

DAVID P. FUNK
Editor in Chief

Jermaine Reynolds walked the halls of PUC like any other student for the last three semesters. He worked in the bookstore and with the groundskeepers and in admissions. He lived in The University Village. He even applied to write sports for The Chronicle.

Early on the morning of Monday, Aug. 28 Jermaine Reynolds died in his home in Harvey, Ill. at the age of 20.

Reynolds was an information systems software engineering major who made a positive impression on people across the campus. After an email went over the PUC faculty system announcing Reynolds' passing, several replies discussed his kind heart and nature.

"He was the kind of guy who got along with everybody," said Josh Asiedu, a sophomore premedicine major who roomed with Reynolds at the UV for six months.

Reynolds was a musician in his free time and friends say he was close to finishing an album. He was described as driven, ambitious and hard working.

"He knew where he was going in life," said Sean Williams, another of Reynolds' many friends. "He didn't play around. He had his goals and he kept them."

Those close to Reynolds say the news came as a shock.

"I didn't believe it," said Jessica Fleming, a sophomore majoring in elementary education. "I still try not to think about it."

At the time of publication, The Chronicle was unable to confirm the cause of Reynold's death.

Funeral services for Jermaine Reynolds will be held at the WW Hope Church in Markham, Ill. on the corner of 159th *Street and Wood* Street Thursday at 11 a.m. Directions will be posted on campus with directions from PUC.

Engineering degree program divides

General engineering degree replaced by four specialized options

DAVID P. FUNK
Editor in Chief

Dividing the PUC engineering program into four separate majors, despite being named one of the nation's best in 2007 by US News and World Report, will only make it stronger, according to Department Head Chenn Qian Zhou.

"The US News and World Report's evaluation recognizes the quality of the existing program," said Zhou in an e-mail interview.

"The change, both the new degrees as well as recent updates in the courses, will not only enhance the quality of our program but will also provide more opportunities to students and faculty."

The B.S. in engineering degree is being replaced by degrees in civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering this semester.

Zhou said the old system was designed to provide graduates with a broad range of experiences across many engineering fields. The new system will provide students with the specialization employers desire in today's job market.

For those still looking for a broader spectrum of classes, a mechatronics minor will be offered in the mechanical engineering program.

Students majoring in civil engineering will study structural analysis and design and be able specialize in environmental or transportation options.

Zhou said all current students will receive the specialized degrees, which will make them more marketable for jobs and internships.

"Graduates will have an increased chance for job placement because companies unfamiliar with PUC will easily recognize the new degrees," said Zhou. "This will open more doors."

Engineering Department Head Chenn Qian Zhou

The change was made in response to a local need and was made with the consultation of the program's external advisory committee. The department hopes to increase and strengthen partnerships with local industry to create more opportunities for PUC students and faculty, joint events and increased resources to support PUC activities.

"The need for specialization from the more general B.S. in engineering degree has occurred as engineering as a discipline has become more specialized, as the quality of our faculty has improved and as the needs of northwest Indiana have become more demanding," said Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Nabil Ibrahim in a statement released by PUC.

Zhou also believes students considering engineering programs in the future will take a closer look at PUC.

"[Future PUC students] will have more and better degree options, more new learning opportunities and more internships, co-op and permanent employment opportunities," said Zhou.

INSIDE YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Why does the SGA matter?

A message from Stephen Lynch, president of the Student Government Association

Dear friends, classmates, and fellow students:

Welcome back!

Let me extend a warm welcome to you as we here at the Student Government Association look forward to another year as the voice of the student body. We hope that we can find ways to help make your experience here at PUC a more enjoyable one. In last week's Administrative Update, Chancellor Cohen spoke about PUC celebrating its 60th anniversary. As a campus, PUC has definitely come a long way during the 60 years that it has been in existence.

But yet, every entity whether it is large or small must continue to adapt to change. That's why your Student Government will seek new ways to meet the changing needs of the student body. We hope to build upon last year's successes and explore new ways to address the issues that concern us all.

One issue that we are tackling head on is improving communication between SGA and the rest of the student body.

To address this issue, we are currently planning to release a newsletter that will come out once a month. We hope to have an issue available sometime in September, so keep checking our website at http://life.calumet.purdue.edu/sga/ for updates. We are refining our overall web communications strategy as we attempt to clarify as much information as we can for students. We are also advertising here in the Chronicle to let *people know some of what we have accomplished as well as what we hope* to accomplish in the future.

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been recruiting new people to help us carry out the day to day operations of the Student Government. In addition to a treasurer, we are also looking for more senators to represent the student body as well as non-voting members.

An issue that has been of concern to our students has been the cost of textbooks. Last year, we had set up a database of textbook ISBN numbers in an effort to give students information earlier than eFollet. We have also set up a free textbook trading site at http://www.textbookninja.com. We are hoping to set up a more reliable system where students can get textbook information, but more work still remains to be done.

We have also been involved with the student service fee committee. Last year, we helped find over $150,000 in Student Service Fee funds that the departments were not made aware of. We also helped guide the student service fee adoption process through our seat on the Student Service Fee Allocations Committee. We have had discussions about developing a new survey to address student service fee issues, as well as looking into other student needs and priorities.

There are other issues that we hope to accomplish during the course of this academic year. Space precludes me from listing them all, but addressing disability issues and improving communication between students and the Financial Aid office are another couple of issues that we feel need to be addressed.

Overall, this barely scratches the surface of what we are hoping to accomplish. But, if there are issues that you would like us to tackle this year that we might not have mentioned here, please feel free to stop by our office in SUL-324F or call 989-2885.

Sincerely,

Stephen Lynch
President,
Purdue University Calumet Student Government Association

What's Going' On?

A look around

Relationship quiz

Students interested in healthy relationships can come by the counseling center's table in the SUL concourse on Wednesday, Sept. 6 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and take the "How Healthy is Your Relationship?" quiz.

Educational Study Cruise

All majors can sign up for HTM 390-O Educational Study Cruise to Mexico in May 2007.

Students must be 21-years-old by May 14, 2007.

Cruise dates are set for Monday, May 14 through Saturday, May 19, 2007. Students will spend five days in New Orleans, Louisiana, Costa Maya, Mexico and Cozumel, Mexico on Carnival's *Fantasy*.

For more information, contact Professor Geralyn Farley at 989-2714 or by e-mail at farley@calumet.purdue.edu.

New club on campus

The Financial Management Association for Students is a new club on campus focused on accounting and finance. It is open to all students.

The club's first meeting is Thursday, Sept. 7 at 5 p.m. with a guest speaker from the accounting firm of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC.

For more information about the club or how to join, visit life.calumet.purdue.edu/fmas/

NSBE

The National Society of Black Engineers is looking for new members.

Come see the exciting things they are planning for the incoming semester.

For more information, e-mail the organization at presleyw1@calumet.purdue.edu

Blood screenings

Appointments for blood screening are currently available starting Sept. 12 and running through the end of the month.

All benefits-eligible faculty and staff and their spouses or same-sex domestic partners may receive one free screening each academic year.

Other friends and family members are invited to participate and will pay $28 for a blood profile.

Fall screening results may be used to complete the Health Path to qualify for the cash incentive later in the year. Go to www.calumet.purdue.edu/wellness to make an appointment.

Want to travel overseas?

The center for international programs and PUC are sponsoring a trip to the Riveras of France and Italy, led by Professor Kathleen Tobin.

Departure for the trip is Nov. 8. Final Payments are due Sept. 9. Prices include round trip airfare from Chicago, hotel transfers and departure taxes and fees of $260.

For more information, contact CIP at 989-2502 or by e-mail at cip@calumet.purdue.edu

Diamond Jubilee

In celebrating the 60 year anniversary, PUC will host the Diamond Jubilee.

An evening filled with authentic cuisine and music will be held on Friday, Sept. 16 at the SUL at 6:30 p.m.

Diamond Jubilee tickets are available in advance and can be purchased by contacting the Office of Advancement at 989-2323.

Submitting Briefs

Anyone interested in publicizing events, organizations, clubs or departments in "What's Going On?" must submit briefs the Monday before publication. The Chronicle does not guarantee placement of briefs submitted.

Please limit submissions to four sentences and include the first and last name of the contact person.

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There are countless websites out there, some assisting with banking and finance, other provide information and daily news or sports scores and some entertain.

Others give solid practical advice.

One such site is momstoday.com, part of iParenting Media network, a well-known source of pregnancy and parenting information.

"[Tina Schmidt-McNulty] is a great individual to have on campus with quality information."
Tabitha Stills, faculty member of Total Fitness Center

Tina Schmidt-McNulty, an instructor on healthy lifestyles in the Total Fitness Center, received the opportunity to share her experiences and advice on related topics by publishing a feature article on the website.

Schmidt-McNulty, a TFC staff member for seven years, said she had an idea and submitted an article called "Move It, Mom" to the website after the birth of her child.

The article, one of many articles she's had published on iParenting Media network, offers mothers ways to fit exercise into their busy schedules.

Schmidt-McNulty discovered her passion for fitness when she was just a sophomore in high school and has known what she wanted to do with here life ever since.

In addition to having an article published online, Schmidt-McNulty was interviewed about a seminar on ways to avoid the "Freshmen 15" in college. The Freshmen 15 deals with the extra 15 pounds often added in a student's first year of college. Another seminar recommended by Schmidt-McNulty is the PUC 101, an orientation for all incoming freshmen to get familiarized with the campus.

"She is a great individual to have on campus with quality information," said Tabitha Stills, a co-worker of Schmidt-McNulty's at TFC.

"Tina is excellent to go to for advice when entering the fitness programs."

Isabel Rodriguez contributed to this article.

Grid project

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Each of the campuses will play its own part and develop a particular strength. PUC's strength involves building a visualization center in the Powers building set to be done by Christmas. The center can serve as not only a research tool for instructors but for students as well.

Headed by Assistant Professor of Physics and Astronomy Shawn Slavin, the center plans to provide student and faculty research and funding along with support for collaborative work with industry and national laboratories, according to PUC's official website.

The physics, engineering, biology, chemistry and computer science departments, along with many others, are looking to make use of these sizable computer resources.

One research project that can utilize the grid involves the study of star clusters, studied by Slavin. Another research project involves efficient energy technologies headed by Professor and Director of Purdue Calumet's Energy Efficiency and Reliability Center Robert Kramer, according to the university's website.

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Wellness Center offers blood screenings

BRANDON THOMAS
Sports Editor

Health has become an important component of today's society. With the growing power of the media, individual wellness has become something of a fad in America. And for all of those who keep up with the trends or just wish to stay healthy, a blood screening may be a convenient way of finding out how this can be accomplished.

The PUC Wellness Center is offering a discounted blood screening to students and faculty. While the original blood screening was meant solely for faculty and mostly for cholesterol readings, it has recently become available for students.

Faculty members receive one free screening per year and are given the next one half off. Students can get screened for $28. The same test given by a doctor off campus may cost upwards of $100.

"We hope that we can send a message," said Wellness Coordinator Martha Lowry. "It is an important program for people's health and can give people a good idea of what they need to work on."

The screening is given two times during the school year by the Alverno Clinical Labs, Inc. The location of the blood screening will vary. A first set of dates will be in between Sept. 12 and 30. The next set of dates is scheduled for February. All blood screenings will take place from 7:15 a.m. to 10 a.m. because it is necessary to fast before testing.

With one poke of the needle, enough blood is drawn to fill three tubes. Participants are required to fill out a slip giving their addresses so that the lab can send the results directly to their houses.

"It isn't just good for people who want to get tested regularly," said Lowry. "It is not a bad idea to get a baseline screening once every five to 10 years."

The Wellness Center is also offering other various tests such as thyroid, cardio vascular disease and male prostate cancer screenings.

Register for all blood screenings at www.calumet.purdue.edu/wellness or call 219-989-2709.

Students perform, promote 'turtle power' for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship

Photo by Bradley Ehrhardt

Bradley Dunham (left) and Ethan Grove, members of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, play music in the Oaken Arbor Cafe Thursday, August 31 before the group held a meeting.

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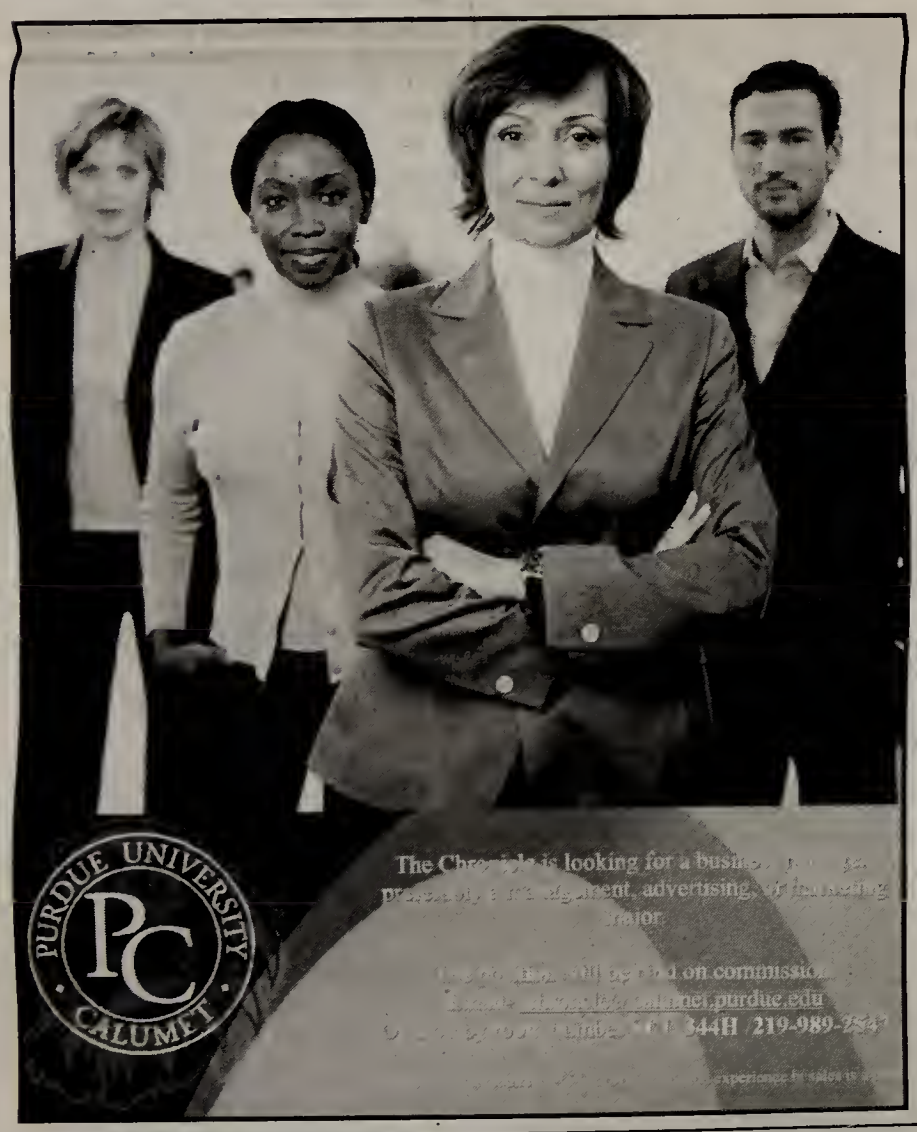

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Sitting inside working on assignments on you laptop is the last thing you want to do as the weather is nice. While we can't complete the assignments for you, we can offer flexibility in where you work on them.

There are wireless access points in various locations inside every building on campus for those not so nice days. Outside locations include Founders Plaza and on the east side of CLO. Now, having a laptop with wireless capabilities allows you the freedom to enjoy the beautiful weather while getting those assignments completed. There are maps of all locations that wireless access is available at www.calumet.purdue.edu wireless.

CalNet

In order to use CalNet, the university's wireless net-work, all you have to do is:

- Have a laptop, PDA, or handheld PC that is has wireless capabilities.
- Complete the registration form to allow your campus computer account to access CalNet. This form is available at www.calumet.purdue.edu/wireless.
- Follow the directions to properly configure your computer or bring your laptop to the Main Computer Lab (Powers 115), the Computing Services & Support Center (Gyte 133) or CTIS Operations (Powers 218) for assistance in configuration.
- Log on and start surfing.

Forward Your NetMail

Although NetMail will continue to be the primary means of communications between University personnel and students, students will now be able to forward their e-mail to another e-mail account. In response to the many requests received, this feature has been set up for use

Instructions for configuring your NetMail account for this capability are located on the NetMail login page at www.calumet.purdue.edu/netmail. Click on the link on the left of the window labeled Forward NetMail E-mail to Another E-Mail Address. If you need assistance you may contact the Computing Services & Support Center via a service request on the web or e-mail at csc@calumet.purdue.edu.

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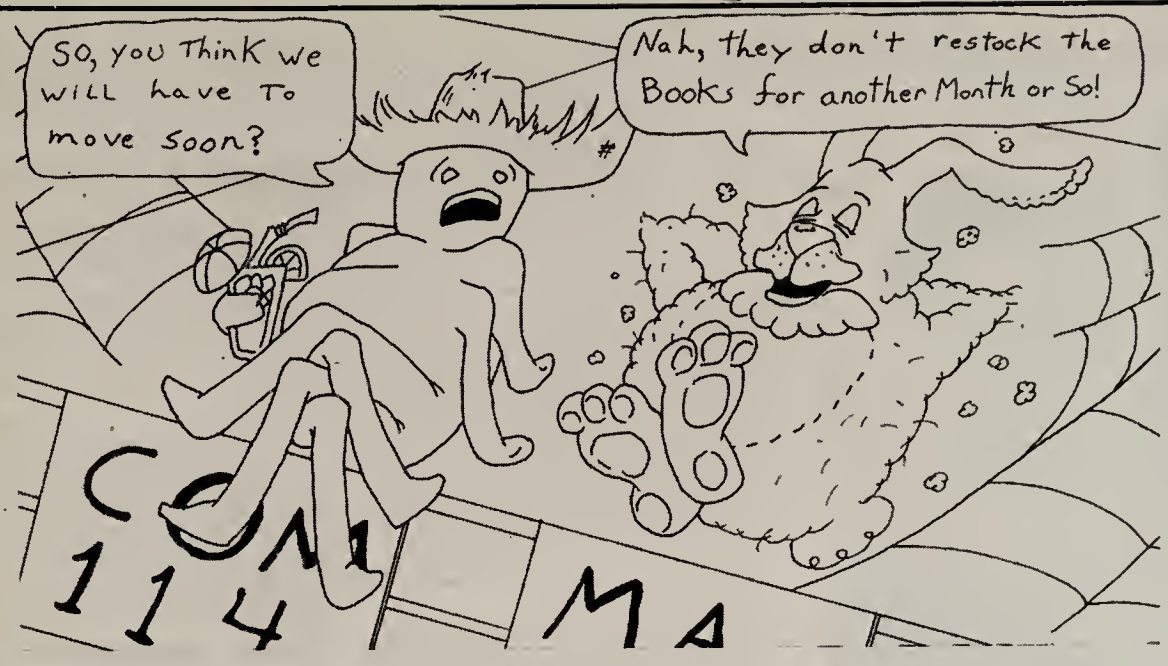

A Shakespearian America

BRANDON THOMAS
Sports Editor

A person standing on highway overpasses sniping civilian highway goers. This is the current social issue of the region. This is what Hammond and Northwest Indiana police are fretting about.

Because there is a question that always seems to haunt politicians in times of terrorism. Is it an isolated incident or a platform for worse things to come? Will this example of disregard or perhaps utter hatred towards human beings become a trend in which a large casualty rating will result?

This most likely won't be the case but the police must err to the side of caution. It is a phenomenon experienced regularly in politics. It is the need to embody characteristics that may not actually be representative of the "intelligent" decision.

The word intelligence is in quotations because the flexibility in its definition. In this case, it will contrast between the decision in a logical and political light.

The logical means of assessing the highway sniper situation would be to consider it an isolated incident. The chances of the sniper striking again on a psychological standpoint remain remote. This is because the chances of this person being caught are much higher than the first unexpected attack that the sniper escaped.

The reality of people following in the snipers footsteps is even more remote, because copy-cats will likely be arrested. So the situation probably doesn't deserve the large amount of attention it is receiving. It could possibly be drawing attention away from more important situations, such as unemployment and the increasing price of living.

But from a political perspective the incident becomes a means of approval from the public. It is the stage where reaction to threatening events is the constant theme of the performance. Catching the sniper could produce a feeling of safety from the public and allow the capturer to become the protagonist on stage in front of the audience.

But the moral of the story is not that the highways of Indiana become safe from all the snipers and terrorists in the land. Instead, it is that there is a discrepancy between logical and political intelligence. The scientific method to discover the best way to handle a situation is different than the way that our leaders and authority figures deal with it.

When we were attacked by "terrorists" (another loosely abstract concept) President Bush handled the situation as a politician on a stage, rather than a logically sound individual- which is a component of our president that is in speculation anyway.

When a person has to publicize their decisions and allow them to be judged by millions of people, it is impossible to form proper solutions.

I am not suggesting that democracy is a bad form of government but sensibly speaking, I don't think I want to live in a country that is a tragedy, drama or comedy.

It's never too late to dream

BY ISABEL RODRIGUEZ
News Editor

How many of us can say we've never given up on something and stopped trying? Bravo to anyone who can. Turn the page. But if not, keep reading.

My father is a true example of a fighter, the personification of never quitting.

My father is a man who never gives up. Examine with me his life these past few years.

He's always maintained an interest in the arts since attending art classes in the '60s. Since then he's continued to expand his knowledge, taking several art classes ranging from introduction to acrylics, watercolors, drawing, airbrush and even calligraphy these past two years. He plans to take another painting class this winter.

Unfortunately, he's been criticized and mocked by others for being 66-years-old and "in school." Yet he didn't let those comments shoot down his desire to learn, experience and become a better person.

Criticism doesn't cease there. Turning 66 proves to be a true milestone for my father; he will become a US citizen this winter. People may say it's great to hear, others may ask what the point is at such an age. What's the point? Because he's always wanted to become a citizen and the fact it's never too late.

My father also shows interest in attending college and taking a few classes on Spanish literature.

And how many people, for whatever reason, take semesters off and later decide "it's too late" or they're "too old" to be in a classroom? Well, the truth is it's never too late. Just look at my father's accomplishments. What do we have to lose if we stick in there, ignore people's negative criticism and keep on trying? It's not going to hurt anyone but ourselves.

So many of us get discouraged so easily. Someone criticizes or even mocks us, and immediately we are ready to give up. It does take for you to sit there and tell yourself you can do it if others aren't willing to be supportive.

How many of us can really say we gave it our all and never quit? Hopefully all of us can say it. If not, learn to build the confidence and never back down on something you know if possible to accomplish. It's about going to bed at the end of day, knowing you tried, gave it your all and achieved your goals. Think about it, my father is a prime example. Never give up.

Students speak out about textbooks...

Did the book store have all the books your classes required?

"No, I had to pre-order mine to get it because they weren't going to get anymore."
Palama Bazille, freshman, pre-medicine

"Yes, but I had trouble with financial aid. When I went back to check up, they ran out."
Victor Deleona, freshman, mechanical engineering technology

"No, the shipment wasn't in yet, not until Wednesday."
Corey Riegle, freshmen, electrical engineering technology

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Bookstore gets an F

This semester, in addition to the normal parking complaints heard around campus are complaints about textbooks not coming in on time. It seems like the usual confusion caused by textbooks at the beginning of each semester has been amplified this fall.

Of the members of the Chronicle's editorial board, two of them had all of their books available before the first day of class. Three did not. That would translate into an F if we were grading the book store.

Getting textbooks is an area where there should be near 100 percent accuracy rate. Sure, sometimes the mail screws something up, a book is out of print, or there is a miscommunication. However, the instances of students not being able to get textbooks on time should be the exception, not the rule.

In one student's class the instructor was told the weekend before classes started that his book would have to be re-ordered because it was out of print. The instructor had ordered the book in June. Someone at the book store should have been able to fix that error in two months. Now, the students need to wait until the second week of class to start their work and the instructor had to scramble to find something else for the students to do.

The Calumet Campus Shop was not available for comment, despite repeated phone calls.

Obviously, it is important that students have the proper text books to start their semester. In classes that are centered on a text book, instructors have to fill time while they wait until the text book comes in. A college education should not be based on worksheets and pages photocopied from a book. An average class meets 16 or 32 times a semester.

By wasting up to two weeks, there are potentially four missed classes.

Students pay a lot of money for school. As we are all well aware, text books do not come cheap. As we are also well aware, buy-back is pretty much a joke. Shouldn't students get more for their money?

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'Trust the Man' to mess things up and women to fix it

Photo courtesy of celebritywonder.com

"Trust the Man," starring Julianne Moore and David Duchovny, is a movie to see with the girls.

JADE LEE CULBERSON
Senior Staff Writer

"Trust the Man" is a clever character study revolving around two dysfunctional relationships.

Written and directed by Bart Freudlich, husband of the film's star Julianne Moore, this movie assumes that the audience will connect with at least one of the troubled, and sometimes whiny, characters. The charm of "Trust the Man" is that the characters' dilemmas are rooted in real-life situations and it is easy to find at least one person to relate to.

Rebecca (Moore) is a woman struggling to keep her priorities in marriage and family straight while maintaining a successful career as an actress. Her stay-at-home husband, Tom (David Duchovny), is a devoted family man, when his addiction to sex isn't getting in the way. His best friend is Rebecca's brother, Tobey (Billy Crudup), a young man obsessed with his car, TiVo, his therapist's personal life and the concept of mortality. Tobey's long-time live-in girlfriend, Elaine (Maggie Gyllenhaal), wants marriage, a baby and to become a published author.

The couples reach simultaneous crises. Tom finds that time with a beautiful divorcé can be considerably more fun than reading porno magazines, while Tobey makes clear his feelings for his car, which seem to be much stronger than his feelings for his girlfriend.

Elaine tries to move on and searches for a man who wants children. The highlight of this is her budding relationship with a linguistically-challenged but supposedly well-endowed German played, somehow both comically and unconvincingly, by Glenn Fitzgerald.

This film succeeds almost entirely on the strength of the characters and their acting, despite the painfully predictable plot. Cameos include Garry Shandling as a marriage therapist and Ellen Barkin as a publisher interested in more than Elaine's manuscript.

Though not necessarily innovative, Freudlich's writing has moments of absolute hilarity. Tom's visits to a sex addicts' support group provide some very amusing dialogue, including a new use for deli meats.

"Trust the Man" seems like an odd title for a movie that delivers the message that while men cannot be trusted, many women find reasons to love them anyway.

Rated R for profanity and language, "Trust the Man" seems best suited to women who can relate to the ups, downs, crash-landing, and reconciliations of long-term relationships. Instead of seeing this romantic comedy with a date on Friday night, take in a matinee while shopping with the girls and everyone will be happier for it.

Dream Theater, 20 years in the business and still going strong

JEFF WAUGAMAN
Staff Writer

It is hard to believe a music group can last 20 years, but Dream Theater has done just that. To celebrate this achievement the band released "Score," a three-disc album and two DVD set on August 29.

Dream Theater is a progressive heavy rock band that formed at Berklee College of Music. Dream Theater consists of James LaBrie (vocals), John Myung (bass), John Petrucci (guitars), Mike Portnoy (drums) and Jordan Rudess (keyboards).

"It's pretty incredible," says Portnoy on the band's official website. "Especially given the nature of what we do. I think maybe that's probably been the secret to our longevity, is that we've never fit in."

Their eighth studio album "Octavarium" was the last album to be recorded at New York's legendary Hit Factory, before it closed its doors for good in March 2005. The first track, "The Root of All Evil," is one of those songs that makes you want to turn your radio up full blast, you know you are going to enjoy the CD and turn your friends onto them too.

Portnoy says that one of the group's goals was to challenge themselves as songwriters by composing shorter pieces than the band is currently famous for.

"For most bands, it's a challenge to write a long song, but to us, the challenge is to go the other way. There are three or four songs on the album that are very short and concise, but are still Dream Theater."

You *have* songs *like* "*Panic Attack*" and "The Root of All Evil," which are so dark, heavy, progressive and technical and then something like "Octavarium" or "Sacrificed Sons," which are true epics. The latter two cuts both feature an orchestra, something the band has never utilized before.

"A Change of Seasons," title track was originally written for the "Images and Words" CD. The second half of the disc is taken from the "Uncovered" show, which was done at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club in London. During these shows, Dream Theater got to work with some great artists such as Bruce Dickinson and Steve Howe.

One of my favorite songs is "Funeral for a Friend/Love Lies Bleeding" which was originally on Elton John's "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road." Usually, when groups do covers, they tend to be on the not-so-great side, but when it comes to covering this song, Dream Theater makes it sound great and makes it their own. Other great covers on this disc are "Turn it on Again" (Genesis), "Bohemian Rhapsody" (Queen) and "Lovin, Touchin, Squeezin" (Journey).

"The rock stardom thing and being on MTV and selling millions of records and being part of a trend has never been interesting to us," concludes Portnoy. "We're just five musicians that like to play and write together and luckily there's this devoted audience that's been behind us all this time."

Photo courtesy of musicplayers.com

Dream Theater released its new three-disc album and two DVD set "Score" on August 29 to commemorate 20 years of success.

Need more information on Dream Theater?

www.dreamtheater.com

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MMMM... FOX Sunday night

"The Simpsons" lead a hilarious Sunday night lineup on FOX

JESSICA COCHRAN
Entertainment Editor

Although TGIF has been over for half a decade now, a new group of shows has emerged. ABC's TGIF Fridays have a rival in FOX' Sundays this season with "The Simpsons," "American Dad," "Family Guy" and "The War at Home".

"The Simpsons" is not only one of the most watched and well-liked comedies on FOX, it is also the longest-running animated series in television history. Since 1990, "The Simpsons" has been a hit with its satirical humor, concerning everything from politics to the most mundane daily events. With Bart's famous "eat my shorts," and Homer's constant "D'oh!," "The Simpsons" is an all-around great show.

Getting just as much attention is "Family Guy," celebrating its fifth season and soon to be 100th episode milestone. Since its debut in 1999 and the release of its hit DVDs, "Family Guy" has become as the fourth-largest selling television series ever. With Stewie's continuous plotting against his mother and the rest of the family's ceaseless amount of problems, "Family Guy" is nothing less than a hit.

Although fairly new, "American Dad" and "The War at Home" are off to great starts.

Each show consists of a not-so-average family just trying to get along. "American Dad" is about a man who works for the CIA while secretly housing an alien, and "The War at Home" is about a father trying to be responsive and politically correct. Both shows feature parents trying to keep their kids in line and not always doing a very good job of it.

All four shows begin their new season this Sunday, with the line up starting at 7:00 p.m. on FOX.

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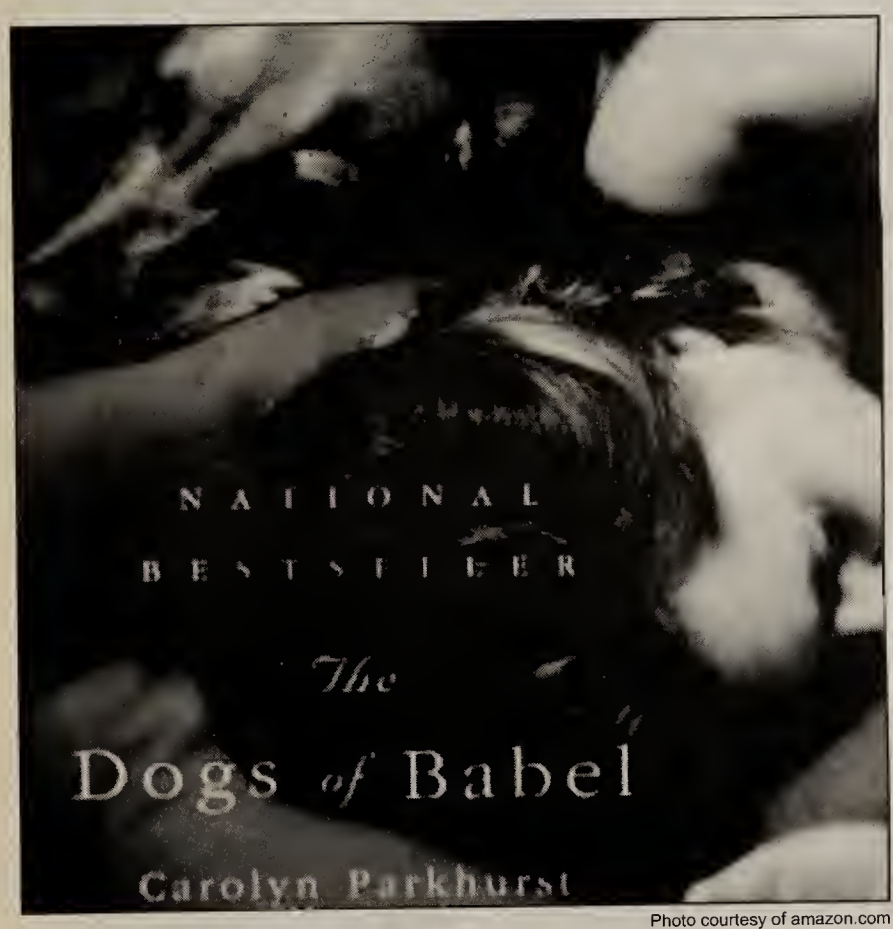
'The Dogs of Babel' - mystery lies in death



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"The Dogs of Babel" is a great book and make readers gasp, laugh and cry.

MANDY MORRIS
Staff Writer

"Here is what we know, those of us who can speak to tell a story: On the afternoon of October 24, my wife, Lexy Ransome, climbed to the top of the apple tree in our backyard and fell to her death. There were no witnesses, save our dog, Lorelei; it was a weekday afternoon, and none of our neighbors were at home, sitting in their kitchens with their windows open, to hear whether, in that brief midair moment, my wife cried out or gasped or made no sound at all. None of them were working in their yards, enjoying the last of the warm weather, to see whether her body crumpled before she hit the ground, or whether she tried to right herself in the air, or whether she simply spread her arms open to the sky." (Excerpt from "Dogs of Babel")

When Linguistics Professor Paul Iverson arrives home, he discovers his beloved wife, Lexy, dead. Her death was a direct result of a fall from the apple tree in their backyard it seems that she had climbed up on. In the days that follow, odd clues start to surface leading Paul to believe his wife's death was no accident. Strange, unique clues and personal messages only Paul would be able to figure out are all she leaves him. It is up to Paul to decipher these messages and find the truth. His dog, Lorelei, is the only witness to Lexy's death and he begins experiments in hopes of teaching her to talk. She might be the only one who holds the key to Lexy's death.

At the same time, Paul starts to obsessively recall the early days of their romance and the bumpy road the two of them faced as they journeyed down the path of marriage. He recalls the ups and downs he had with the extraordinary and sometimes difficult, woman who became his wife.

I happened upon "Dogs of Babel" in Borders after asking someone to recommend a few good books. Upon hearing the summary of this book, it intrigued me and I couldn't wait to start reading. It is a very interesting because of the mystery aspect of it and how the clues seemed to unravel throughout the story. I felt general remorse for Paul after his wife died. How grief-stricken he must have been!

The reader gets a better idea of what life was like for this married couple and what kinds of people Paul and Lexy were. Their personalities truly come alive in the flashbacks. This book is a real page-turner that leaves the reader gasping, laughing and sometimes in tears. I'd recommend "Dogs of Babel" by Carolyn Parkhurst to anyone who is looking for a new, different story. You will not likely be disappointed.

Jenny's a little bit country, a little bit rock-n-roll

ELIZABETH WILKINSON
Managing Editor

It seems like many music fans are not too excited about the idea of female lead singers. To be fair, there don't seem to be many women in rock music today who are really outstanding. Jenny Lewis is the exception to the rule, setting new standards for women everywhere.

Her debut solo album, recorded with the Watson Twins, is called "Rabbit Fur Coat." It is an outstanding album, fusing indie rock, soul and gospel with outstanding lyrics.

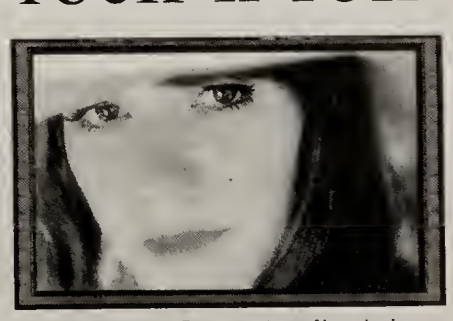
While "Rabbit Fur Coat" has a distinctly gospel feel to it, there is no preaching or even praising on the album. Lewis actually seems to be questioning the idea of God on the album. There are lyrics such as "I've won hundreds at the track/but I'm not betting on an afterlife" that show the personal side of Lewis. The lyrics throughout the album seem hurt, angry and questioning but also hopeful. It's a highly personal album that further proves that Lewis is one of the best talents in music today.

Lewis is the lead singer of Rilo Kiley and a former child star, starring in movies like "The Wizard" and "Troop Beverly Hills." She also provided some of the female vocals for the Postal Service album "Give Up."

Rilo Kiley is gaining a bigger following by the day, and with good reason. They are one of the most promising bands on the scene today. In 2005, they opened for Coldplay and their most successful album to date, "More Adventurous," was released in 2004.

Lewis has a clear, calm voice that is extremely versatile. She can strum a guitar and sing a folk ballad like "Happy," which is a light, airy kind of song. Or she can belt out tunes like "Rise Up with Fists," which is the stand-out track on the album. The other popular track is "Born Secular," a track exposing Lewis' religious questions and disappointment in life.

The Watson Twins are Chandra and Leigh Watson. They provide backing vocals on "Rabbit Fur Coat." The smooth, harmonized vocals add depth to an already deep album. The twins recently released an eight song EP titled "Southern Manners."



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Jenny Lewis and the Watson Twins are currently touring and will be at the Vic Theater in Chicago on October 14.

Glance into the lives of others

ERIN WILSON
Staff Writer

Have you ever been walking to a class when you happened to look down and something on the ground caught your eye? My roommate and I, in particular, were walking to class one day and found three toy soldiers on the ground. I believe they had anti-war messages attached to them. We spent the rest of our walk discussing what to do with these toy soldiers.

For a few years now, the website foundmagazine.com has been chronicling finds just like these. A collection of pictures, photographs, notes and various other items have been collected and put on the site for the world to enjoy.

From the informational "Popcorn is not a nutritional, balanced meal!" to the sweet "Your life is beautiful." to the just plain weird "Davita is dead. And I didn't do it.," foundmagazine.com has something for everyone. It offers an impartial, somewhat addictive glimpse into the lives of others.

According to their website, foundmagazine.com (and its physical publication, "Found Magazine") exists to showcase the "strange, hilarious and heartbreaking things people have picked up and passed our way."

It all started when Found's creator, Davy Rothbart went out to his vehicle and discovered a note that had been mistakenly placed upon his windshield. In the note, a girl named Amber had written about her hatred for the intended recipient, Mario, only to write, "PS Page me later" at the end. He and his friend (and co-creator), Jason Bitner found the note interesting and they soon discovered that they weren't alone in their fascination with things they'd found.

Something about this website seems to intrigue people. Not only have the people running the site posted things they have found, but their large fanbase is also allowed the chance to submit their finds. Items from all over the world have been submitted and posted for our viewing pleasure.

You can search through each find of the day, or, if you're curious, you can type in random words into their search engine. A search for the word "Indiana" comes up with nine results – including a picture of a man in a wedding dress that was found in Munster.

So check out foundmagazine.com. Chances are, if you're anything like me and my friends, you'll be intrigued by the different things you can find on this website. It's addictive and it's fun to kind of have a look into the lives of other people.

By the way, my roommate decided to clean the toy soldiers up a bit and give them to her little brother. I'm sure he enjoyed them, although in a slightly different way than we did.

Season Premiers this week

Tuesday Sept. 5

"House" 7 p.m. on FOX
"Standoff" 8 p.m. on FOX

Thursday Sept. 7

"Til Death" 7 p.m. on FOX
"Happy Hour" 7:30 p.m. on FOX

Friday Sept. 8

"Nanny 911" 7 p.m. on FOX
"20/20" 9 p.m. on ABC

Saturday Sept. 9

"Cops" 7 p.m. on FOX
"America's Most Wanted" 7 p.m. on FOX

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Sunday Sept. 10

"The Simpsons" 7 p.m. on FOX
"American Dad" 7:30 p.m. on FOX
"Family Guy" 8 p.m. on FOX
"The War at Home" 8:30 p.m. on FOX

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The powers of WB and UPN combine to form CW

JESSICA COCHRAN
Entertainment Editor

This fall brings about big changes in the world of television, as the WB and UPN combine into a single network: the CW. This new broadcasting network will be equally owned by both Warner Brothers and CBS.

By combining their networks, Warner Brothers and CBS hope to strengthen the CW into the fifth "major" broadcast network. They would then join the ranks with ABC, NBC, CBS, and FOX, which are currently considered the "Big Four."

UPN is expected to close their network on Sept. 15, most likely with the accustomed "WWE Friday Night Smackdown," while the WB will officially wrap up on September 17. The WB intends to celebrate its close by running a five-hour block of episodes from some of their past hits, including "Angel," "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and "Dawson's Creek."

The new network will extract programming from both the WB and UPN. The programs that will be joining the CW are those such as "Gilmore Girls" and "Smallville" from the WB, and "America's Next Top Model" and "Veronica Mars" from UPN. Also, "Smackdown," which has always been a stronghold of UPN, will air Friday nights on the CW.

The disappearance of the WB and UPN will be the first time a major network has closed since 1955.

Jessica's recipe corner

Spicy Chicken Strips

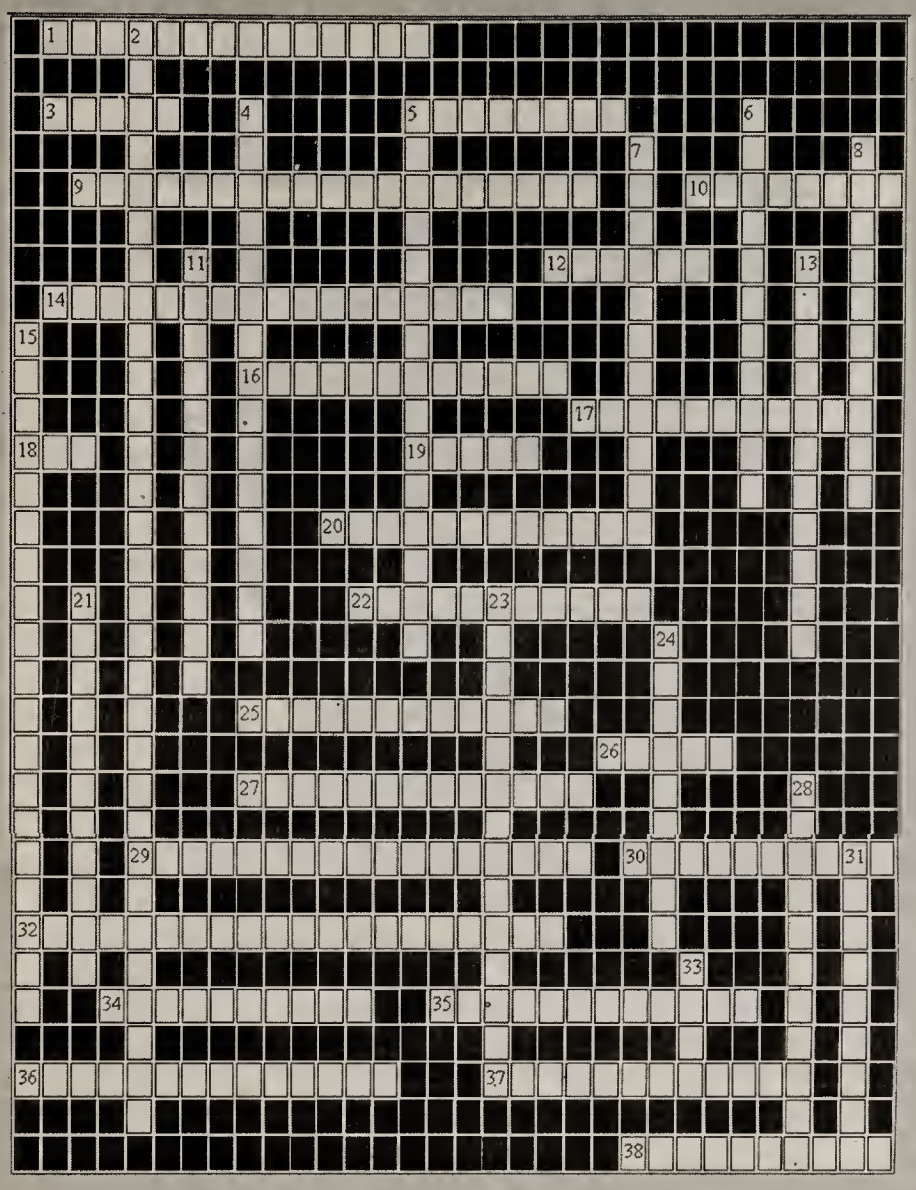
3 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (cut into strips)
4 cups corn flakes, smashed
1 cup flour
1 tablespoon cayenne seasoning
1 teaspoon chili powder
½ teaspoon season salt
2 cups milk
1 egg
Vegetable oil

Combine the corn flakes, flour, cayenne seasoning, chili powder and season salt in a large bowl. In a smaller bowl, beat the milk and egg with a fork until mixed. Dip each chicken strip in the milk mixture. Place in the dry blend, coating evenly on all sides. Pour a thin layer of oil on the bottom of a frying pan, and place the chicken strips in the pan. Cook for 8 minutes or until the center is no longer pink.
Makes approximately 12 strips.

The Chronicle Top Ten

Movies to See This September

1. The Wicker Man
2. Crank
3. All the King's Men
4. The Last Kiss
5. The Black Dahlia
6. The Guardian
7. The Covenant
8. Haven
9. School for Scoundrels
10. Hollywoodland



Fall TV

Across

1.Stars one of the Arquette's
3. A "Buffy" alum stars in this show
5. "Everybody Loves Raymond" co-star returns to TV in this new show
9. Based on the life of a famous comedian
10. A cast member on this show played Lucas in "Empire Records"
12. Stars a Baldwin
14. Based on a movie starring Tim McGraw
16. Focuses on the relationship between a mother and daughter
17. Stars Chad Michael Murray
18. The original crime scene investigation show
20. Takes place in a town called Neptune
22. Created by the same person who created "Family Guy"
25. The host of this show suffers from OCD
26. Ray Liotta stars in this show
29. This show features former "Doogie Howser, M.D" star
30. America Ferrera stars in this new show
32. Where Adrianne Curry got her start
34. This drama is back, despite having a "series finale" last season
35. Follows a young group of surgical interns
36. One of the stars on this show played Ducky in "Pretty in Pink"
37. One of the stars of this show played Rory Gilmore's first boyfriend
38. Anne Heche stars in this show

Down

2. The star of this show won 2006's Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy award
4. About a medical examiner from Boston
5. Weight loss competition
6. Stars Dominic Purcell
7. John Lithgow makes his return on this show
8. The early life of Superman
11. Jason Lee stars on this show
13. The longest running cartoon
15. Stars get the chance to showcase their talents
21. The tagline reads "Meet your new mommy"
23. Former "Xena" star makes her come back on this show
24. After being cancelled once, this cartoon is back for another season
28. Women compete for the affection of one man
31. Based on a popular show in England
33. Follows the lives of those stranded on an island

Weekly Weather Forecast

The Weather Channel

Monday
September 4
Scattered T-Storms
71°/61°

Tuesday
September 5
Showers
68°/61°

Wednesday
September 6
Few Showers
69°/61°

Thursday
September 7
Sunny
74°/60°

Friday
September 8
Partly Cloudy
75°/62°

Saturday
September 9
Partly Cloudy
°75°/62°

Sunday
September 10
Scattered Showers
75°/62°

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Sudoku

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Police Beat

8/27/06
Gyte Building
Officer was dispatched to the Gyte Laboratory for an active audible alarm.
Area was checked and nothing found.

8/10/06
2200 169th St.
Lightning damage was reported to several cameras on campus.

8/28/06
CLO Room 137
Victim advised that after class she went to get her purse and it was missing.

8/29/06
Campus Bookstore
A $50 counterfeit bill was turned into the police department which was used to attempt to purchase books. It was forwarded to Chicago office of the U.S. Secret Service.

8/30/06
Parking Lot 13
Victim advised that while walking to her vehicle a subject approached her and tried to get her to go with him inside his vehicle. Victim left the area and called police.

Inter-campus tennis at PUC

BRANDON THOMAS
Sports Editor

Tennis anyone? The United States Tennis Association is putting on a couple events that may interest some athletes at PUC. First, on Sept. 9, the annual Illiana Collegiate Tennis Tournament takes place.

The tournament is available to students of any campus in the Midwest as long as they aren't participating in an intercollegiate tennis program for the 2006-2007 season. It is held at the South Gleason Tennis Center in Gary and is hosted by Indiana University Northwest.

The tournament is entered individually by part-time or full-time students. Divisions will be held in men's singles, men's doubles, women's singles, women's doubles and mixed doubles.

In addition to this tournament, the USTA will be offering a similar tennis program for students that will be sponsored by the Lakeshore Tennis Association. An inter-campus tennis league will be held for aspiring collegiate tennis players.

The league will begin on Sept. 23 and will take place every corresponding Saturday and Sunday for three weeks.

"This is something down the road that I would like to develop," said Intramural Sports Coordinater Matt Dudzik. "It is what they call extramural sport, where schools that are close in proximity compete in different activities."

The teams are being formed at two-year and four-year colleges and universities in Northwest Indiana, Southwest Michigan and the Chicagoland area for the local league.

"We're lucky to have so many colleges around here," said League Director and IUN Health Professor Donn Gobbie. "And I know at least three students at PUC that can play."

Players must form teams in their universities composed of at least two men and two women but the maximum is 10 to a team. There is no limit to the amount of teams per university and each team can decide which games they play home or away. If a team does not have a tennis court, they may play all of their matches away.

PUC students are going to have a chance to play tennis with other universities. They will be able to form their own teams and compete as if it was an intercollegiate sport.

The matches will consist of six singles matches and three doubles matches each played in five sets. They will be played using no-add scoring rather than the standard scoring of intercollegiate tennis. The league also allows substitutions which are not collegiately permitted.

The winners of the tournament during the final week of play will receive trophies and earn a chance to compete in the USTA National Tournament held in Texas.

While the league is not new to some regions in the United States, it is only the second year that the league has been attempted in this area.

"The program is a great way to allow people who can't play at their university or aren't able to make their intercollegiate team to continue playing," said Gobbie. "Hopefully it may even allow some universities, who don't have tennis teams to develop their own intercollegiate programs."

The only fee for either event is for each participant to provide their own tennis balls. Register for the tournament with Don Gobbie at dgobbie@iun.edu or call at 219-629-3821.To play team tennis, register with Matt Dudzik.

How to register

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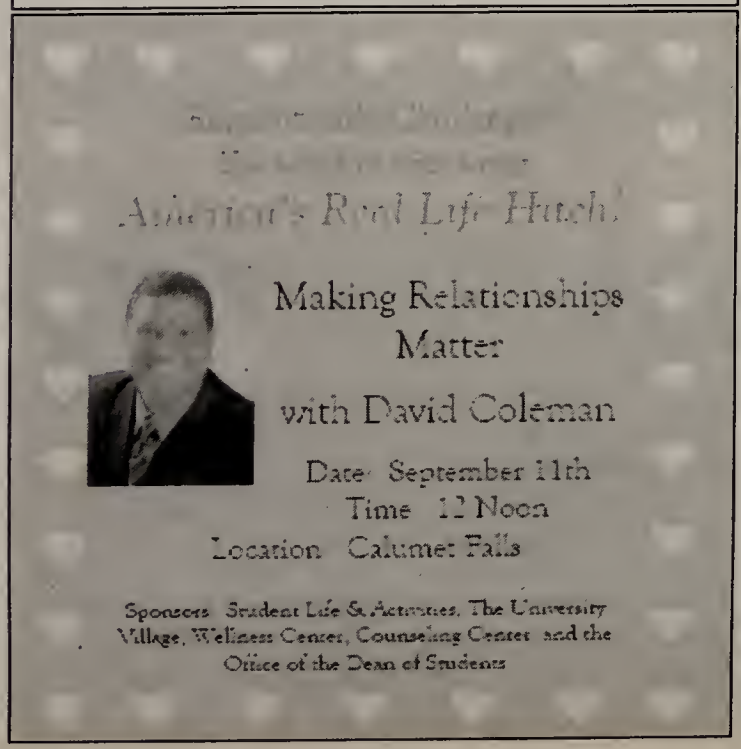
Chronicle Fantasy Showdown

Your part in the showdown...

Two members of the Chronicle editorial board (David Funk and Brandon Thomas) will be battling for fantasy football glory. Each week the two participants will pick a single player from the NFL and from the NCAA. The position of the player will change each week and the contest will continue throughout the season. The winner of each week will be judged by general fantasy football rules and will receive one point for every win. The editor with the most points at the end of the season will be crowned Chronicle Fantasy Football Super Bowl Champion. The loser will be tainted as a football analyst forever. PUC students and faculty members can participate in the competition by picking either Funk or Thomas to win the Showdown at www.pucchronicle.com beginning next week. Those who pick the winners can redeem a special prize at the end of the football season.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NFL Picks

Sports Editor Brandon Thomas' NFL QB of the week

Jake Plummer, Denver Broncos @ St. Louis Rams

Editor in Chief David Funk's NFL QB of the week

Matt Hasselback, Seattle Seahawks @ Detroit

NCAA Picks

Brandon Thomas NCAA QB of the week

Rudy Carpenter, UCLA vs. Nevada

David P. Funk's NCAA QB of the week

Drew Tate, Iowa at Syracuse

Futurex 5500 makes working out easier

DENNIS GLADE
Staff Writer

Chronicle illustration by David Funk

Nicole Nelson, left, uses the Futurex 5500, a more comfortable way to measure body mass index, with Amber Jennigan.

In this day and age, the American public is pressured by the media to be skinny and have a perfect, flawless body. For some, this can be very difficult to achieve, while for others, it may come very easily. However, now the students and athletes at PUC can have a little bit of help in finding out how to get their bodies to the level with which they find the most comfort.

The Futurex 5500 is a machine that measures body mass index. It is a small sensor that is placed on the right arm around the biceps and calculates all the necessary information in seconds. It then prints out an individual's body fat percentage, fat weight, total body water in meters and body mass index. The whole procedure takes approximately five minutes. The person must give his or her sex, height, weight, how often he or she exercises and for how long.

One reason why this machine is so useful is that there is no intimidation involved in getting the test done.

"Anyone can walk in here, roll up their sleeve and be done in five minutes," said Coordinator of Fitness Center John Bobalik. "It is less intimidating because no one is poking or prodding you and this makes it very relaxing."

The Futurex 5500 is different than calipers, which grab an amount of body fat to be measured. Using caliper is another procedure to measure body mass index.

Already in use by a number of universities to measure this, the Futurex 5500 machine isn't quite as accurate as traditional BMI machines but it more than makes up for it through convenience and comfort.

Men under the age of 30 report 11.8 percent as an excellent BMI, 11.9-15.9 percent average and 16-19.5 percent is fair. Women are at an excellent BMI with 19.0 percent, average at 19.1-22.1 percent and fair at 22.2-25.4 percent.

The main objective for this machine is that a person can measure their progress in real figures. Participants can take his or her BMI in August and then take it again in December. This allows people to gauge on how much progress they are making in the weight room, giving them the opportunity to adjust their schedules accordingly with their BMI results.

Mind-Body Connection Classes

Session 1
Sept. 11-Oct. 21

Session 2
Oct. 23 - Dec. 2

-Pay for all classes at the SSBO in the Fitness & Recreation Center Building.
-All payments non-refundable. Registration required.

Pilates
Mondays and Wednesdays
12 p.m.-1 p.m.
$60 per session

Yoga
Tuesdays and Thursday
12 p.m.-1 p.m.
$60 per session

Saturday Yoga
11-12 p.m.
$20 per session
Session 1:
Sept. 16, Sept. 30 and Oct.14
Session 2:
Oct.21, Nov. 4 & Nov. 18

Who moved my chi?
Wednesday
7 p.m.-8 p.m.
$40 per session

Express Workouts
Monday and Wednesday
8 a.m.-8:20 a.m.
and 5:30 p.m.-5:50 p.m.
Meet in the Fitness Center
Free to members, $40 to non-members

Senior Balance Class
Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m.-9:45a.m.
Free to members, $60 to non-members

Boot Camp ABS
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6 p.m.-6.20p.m.
Free

Tai Chi 1 and 2
Friday
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Sports Editor

Many students are aware of the numerous intramural sports on campus, but interestingly enough, aren't aware of PUC's newest club sport. The softball team suffered through a rough stint of games in their first season, but as a sport with no background, the Lady Peregrines played very competitively against the intercollegiate programs that they squared off against.

This year, the women are going to take the field in the fall with six returning players: sophmores Amanda LeVin and Marisol Puente; juniors Lacy Holevis, Amanda MacFarlane, Krystina Davis and senior Katie Hayes. Hayes was one of the dedicated students that set the foundation for the team last year.

While last year was their first as a club sport, they will be much better prepared with more than half of a starting lineup coming back with some collegiate experience.

Most of the returning women played in a league in Dyer. The girls that played together, along with other players, finished the season in third place. They have been busy raising money with car washes since last spring.

The next big event for the softball team is the call-out for fall tryouts. On Sept. 9 tryouts will be held at Northgate Park in Dyer from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. They will be looking for eight new additions. Flyers are being posted around campus for the *call-out.*

"We will be looking for skills, position players and pitching," said Softball Manager Mark LeVin. "Hopefully we'll get a good turnout."

LeVin and Assistant Coach Mark Swawell will be taking the helm this season. The two coaches took over halfway through last year's season with the resignation of Gil Arzola. They are ready to get started on training early and are excited about the start of a new year.

"We should be much more competitive this year," said LeVin. "More people are aware of us now and we have a full fall of practice."

Official practice will begin on Sept. 16 along with four double-headers during the fall. They also will be competing in a tournament. Practice will continue while the weather permits. The women will then start practicing in the REC Center with pitchers and catchers reporting in December and position players returning in January.

The Lady Peregrines have also named two new co-captains, Amanda LeVin and Lacy Holevis.

"It is an honor," said Holevis about becoming a captain. "We have a lot of strong players coming back and we should be good if we play as a team."

As for the girl's chances for becoming an intercollegiate sport, they believe that it may be realistic some time in the near future.

"We are probably about five or six years away right now," said Holevis. "We need to prove to the university that we are serious about becoming an intercollegiate sport."

The girls will make their bid for an intercollegiate program game by game and hope to find their stride against the tough experienced teams in the area

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The Lady Peregrines in their second year as a club sport are going to be in much better shape to compete this season as they begin fall practices and games this month.

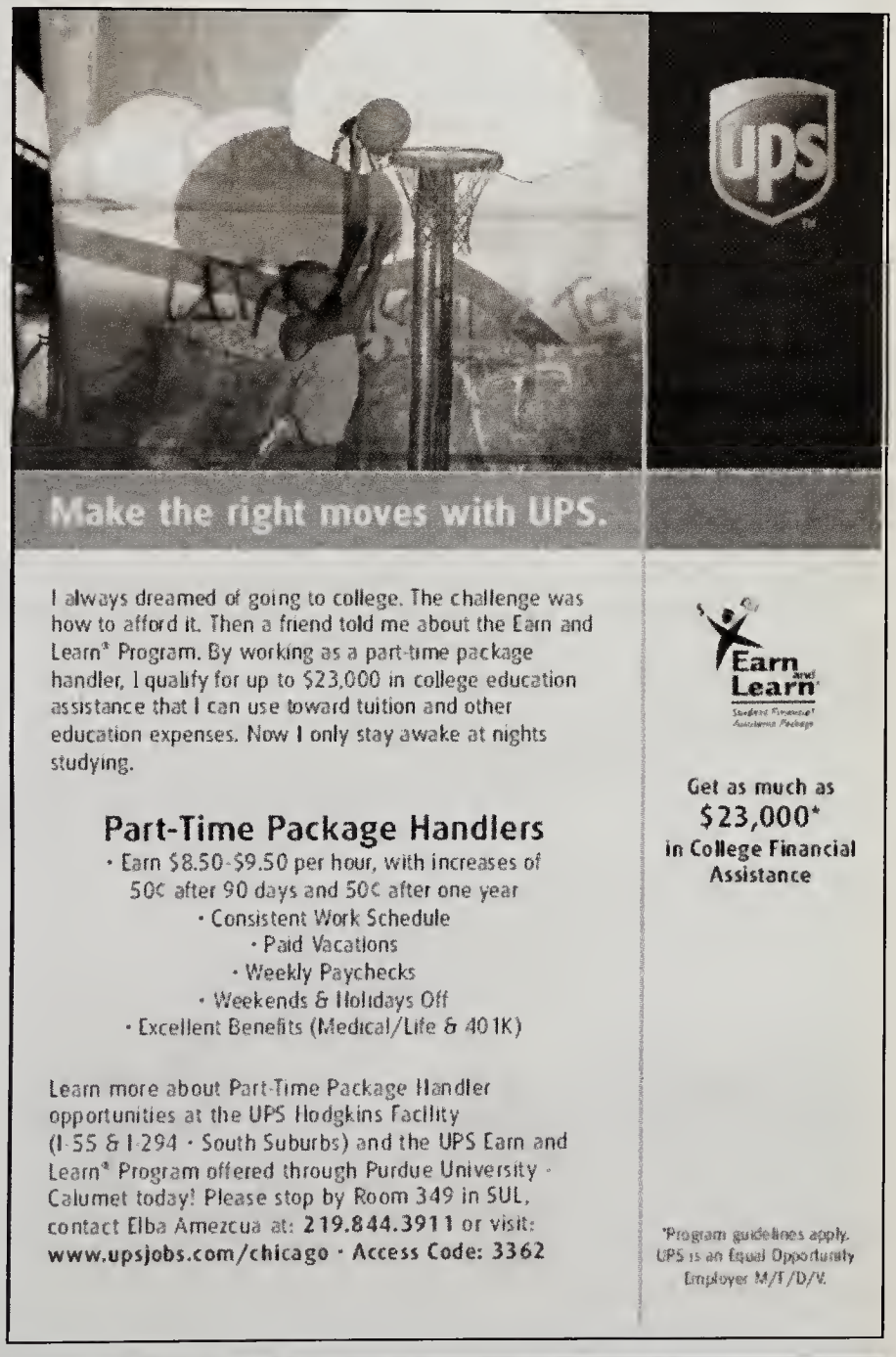
Fall women's softball schedule

9-23 against Trinity Christian

9-30 Ancilla College

10-7 Prairie State tournament

10-14 against Moraine Valley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